men and women to defend our liberty. Now they are asking us to defend their health care, and we cannot in good conscience turn our backs on them.

That is why I urge you to oppose the previous question. Let us do right by our veterans and honor the promise we made.

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, the Chair will reduce to a minimum of 5 minutes the period of time within which a vote by electronic device, if ordered, will be taken on the question of agreeing to the resolution.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 217, nays 208, not voting 8, as follows:

# [Roll No. 388]

### YEAS-217

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### NAYS-208

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□ 2318

**LEWIS** of Georgia, Mr. Mr. BLUMENAUER and Ms. PELOSI changed their vote from "yea" ''nay.'

Mr. EVERETT and Mr. THOMAS ''nay'' changed their vote from ʻʻyea.

So the previous question was ordered. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

### □ 2320

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. QUINN). The question is on the resolu-

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE REGARDING MO-TION TO INSTRUCT ON H.R. 1905, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPRO-PRIATIONS ACT, 2000

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair announces that with the filing of the conference report on the bill (H.R. 1905) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, proceedings will not resume on the motion to instruct conferees considered last evening on which further proceedings had been postponed.

# GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on the conference report to accompany H.R. 1905, and that I may include tabular and extraneous material.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Ćarolina?

There was no objection.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 1905, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPRO-PRIATIONS ACT, 2000

Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the previous order of the House, I call up the conference report on the bill (H.R. 1905) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of today, the conference report is considered read.

(For conference report and statement, see prior proceedings of the House of today.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. TAY-LOR) and the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. PASTOR) each will control 10 min-

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. TAYLOR).

Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, it is a pleasure to present the conference report on the FY 2000 Legislative Branch Appropriations bill, H.R. 1905. I would like to thank the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. PASTOR), our ranking member, all members of the committee and our

staff for the work they have done on this.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to summarize the conference report by pointing out that the \$2.4 billion in new budget authority to the Congress and support agencies and offices of the legislative branch, this is \$165 million below the amount requested in the President's budget. Our bill is 6.3 percent below the President's request. It is 4.8 percent below the amount that was appropriated last year. It is almost 6 percent below the amount appropriated in 1995.

We have also declined the number of FTEs almost 16 percent, almost 4,400 fewer jobs than we had 5 years ago. This has been hard work. We owe our predecessors a lot of the credit, but this committee has done well.

In summary, the bill I think has reduced this area of government, but it is adequate for our purposes. I urge the adoption of the conference report.

 $\mbox{Mr.}$  Speaker, I include the following for the Record.

# H.R. 1905 - LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS BILL, 2000

(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 1999 Enacted	FY 2000 Request	House	Senate	Conference	Conference vs. enacted
TITLE I - CONGRESSIONAL OPERATIONS						
SENATE						
Expense Allowances						
Expense allowances:						
Vice President	10	10		10	10	
President Pro Tempore of the Senate	10	10		10 10	10 10	•••••
Majority Leader of the Senate	10 10	10 10	***************************************	10		
Majority Whip of the Senate	5	5		5	5	
Minority Whip of the Senate	5	5		5	5	
Chairman of the Majority Conference Committee	3	3		3	3	•••••
Chairman of the Minority Conference Committee	3	3				
Subtotal, expense allowances	56	56		56	56	
Representation allowances for the Majority and Minority Leaders	30	30		30	30	
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Total, Expense allowances and representation	86	86		86	86	
Salaries, Officers and Employees						
· · · · · ·	1,659	1,721		1,721	1,721	+62
Office of the Vice President	402	437		437	437	+35
Office of the Majority and Minority Leaders	2,436	2,644		2,644	2,644	+208
Offices of the Majority and Minority Whips	1,416	1,634	***************************************	1,634	1,634	+218
Committee on Appropriations	6,050	6,525	***************************************	6,525	6,525	+475 +80
Conference committees	2,184	2,264		2,264	2,264	+00
Offices of the Secretaries of the Conference of the Majority and the Conference of the Minority	570	590	***************************************	590	590	+20
Policy Committees	2,218	2,302		2,302	2,302	+84
Office of the Chaplain	267	277		277	277	+ 10
Office of the Secretary	13,694	14,202	***************************************	14,202	14,202	+508
Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper	33,805	36,238	***************************************	34,794 1,246	34,794 1,246	+989
Offices of the Secretaries for the Majority and Minority	1,200 21,332	1,246 22,42 <del>6</del>	***************************************	21,332	21,332	
Agency contributions and related expenses	21,002					
Total, salaries, officers and employees	87,233	92,506		89,968	89,968	+ 2,735
Office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate						
Salaries and expenses	3,753	3,901		3,901	3,901	+148
Office of Senate Legal Counsel						
Salaries and expenses	1,004	1,035	******************	1,035	1,035	+31
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Expense Allowances of the Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, and Secretaries for the Majority and Minority of						
the Senate: Expenses allowances	12	12		12	12	***************************************
Contingent Expenses of the Senate						
Inquiries and investigations	66,800	71,604		71,604	71,604	+4,804
Expenses of United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control	370	370		370	370	
Secretary of the Senate	1,511	1,511		1,511	1,511	
Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate	60,511	79,897		66,261	66,261	+ 5,750 -5,500
Y2K emergency supplemental (P.L. 105-277)	5,500 . 8,655	8,655	***************************************	8,655	8,655	-5,500
Miscellaneous items	239,158	257,703	***************************************	245,703	245,703	+6,547
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Official Mail Costs	200	200		300	300	***************************************
Expenses	300	300		300		
Total, contingent expenses of the Senate	382,803	420,040		394,404	394,404	+11,60
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Total, Senate	474,891	517,580		489,406	489,406	+14,51
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES						
Payments to Widows and Heirs of Deceased  Members of Congress						
Gratuities, deceased Members	137 .			***************************************		-13
Gratuities, deceased Members, FY 1999		***************************************			(137)	(+13
Salaries and Expenses						
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House Leadership Offices		4 ***	1 740	1,740	1,740	+5
Office of the Speaker	1,686	1,748 1,712	1,740 1,705	1,740	1,740	+5
Office of the Majority Floor Leader	1,652 1,675	2,071	2,071	2,071	2,071	+39
Office of the Majority Whin	1,043	1,423	1,423	1,423	1,423	+38
Office of the Majority Whip	1,020	1,060	1,057	1,057	1,057	+3
Speaker's Office for Legislative Floor Activities	397	410	406	406	406	+
		763	757	757	757	+1
Republican Steering Committee	738	1,246	1,244	1,244	1,244	+4

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 1999 Enacted	FY 2000 Request	House	Senate	Conference	Conference vs. enacted
Democratic Steering and Policy Committee	1,295	1,343	1,337	1,337	1,337	+42
Democratic Caucus	642	666	664	664	664	+22
Nine minority employees	1,190	1,229	1,218	1,218	1,218	+28
Training and Development Program:	290	290	290	290	290 .	••••
Majority Minority	290	290	290	290		
Undistributed			4.40		-142	-142
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Subtotal, House Leadership Offices	13,117	14,251	14,060	14,202	14,060	+943
Members' Representational Allowances Including Members' Clerk Hire, Official Expenses of Members, and Official Mail			· •			
Expenses	385,279	421,403	385,279	413,576	406,279	+21,000
Committee Employees						
Standing Committees, Special and Select (except Appropriations)	89,743 19,373	96,570 22,255	93,878 21,095	93,878 21,308	93,878 21,095	+4,135 +1,722
Subtotal, Committee employees	109,116	118,825	114,973	115,186	114,973	+5,857
Salaries, Officers and Employees						
Office of the Clerk	15,365	15,831	14,881	14,881	14,881	-484
Office of the Sergeant at Arms	3,501	3,812	3,746	3,746	3,746	+245
Office of the Chief Administrative Officer	57,211	60,112	57,289	57,289	57,28 <del>9</del>	+78
Y2K emergency supplemental (P.L. 105-277)	6,373	4,082	3,926	3,926	3,926	-6,373 -27
Office of Inspector General	3,953 840	4,062 840	3, <del>920</del> 840	840	3,926 840 .	-21
Office of the Chaplain	133	137	136	138	136	+3
Office of the Parliamentarian	1,106	1,172	1,172	1,172	1,172	+66
Office of the Partiamentarian	(904)	(961)	(961)	(961)	(961)	(+57)
Compilation of precedents of the House of Representatives	(202)	(211)	(211)	(211)	(211)	(+9)
Office of the Law Revision Counsel of the House	1,912	2,045	2,045	2,045	2,045	+133
Office of the Legislative Counsel of the House	4,980	5,085	5,085	5,085	5,085	+105
Corrections Calendar Office	799	829	825	825	825	+26
Other authorized employees	191	688 (483)	205	688 (483)	205	+14
Former Speakers	(191)	(205)	(205)	(205)	(205)	(+14)
Subtotal, Salaries, Officers and Employees	96,364	94,633	90,150	90,633	90,150	-6,214
Allowances and Expenses						
Supplies, materials, administrative costs and Federal tort claims	2,575	2,655	2,741	2,741	2,741	+166
the House	410	410	410	410 131,595	410 131,595	-1,237
Government contributions	132,832 651	132,333 676	131,595 676	676	676	+25
Miscellaneous items		136,074	135,422	135,422	135,422	-1,046
Subtotal, Allowances and expenses	136,468	136,074	130,422			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Total, salaries and expenses	740,344	785,186	739,884	769,019	760,884	+20,540
Total, House of Representatives	740,481	785,186	739,884	769,019	760,884	+20,403
JOINT ITEMS						
Joint Economic Committee	3,096	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	+104
Joint Committee on Printing	352		6,188	6,456	6,456	+491
Joint Committee on Taxation	5,965 2,000	6,256	0,100		0,700	-2,000
Joint Committee on the Library				500		······
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Office of the Attending Physician		4 000	1 000	1 000	1,898	+483
Medical supplies, equipment, expenses, and allowances	1,415	1,898	1,898	1,898	1,050	T403
Capitol Police Board						
Capitol Police						
Salaries:		•				
Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate	37,037 39,807	38,847 42,350	37,725 40,776	38,648 42,135	37,725 40,776	+688
Outstated explosive	76,844	81,197	78,501	80,783	78,501	+1,657
Subtotal, salaries					6,574	+337
General expenses	6,237 106,782	8,990	6,711	7,913		+337 +106,782
Emergency security enhancements (P.L. 105-277)		00.407	85,212	88,696	85,075	-104,788
Emergency security enhancements (P.L. 105-277)	189,863	90,187	00,212	00,000	,	
Subtotal, Capitol Police	189,863 2,195	90,187 2,424	2,293	2,336	2,293	+98
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	FY 1999 Enacted	FY 2000 Request	House	Senate	Conference	Conference vs. enacted
OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE						
Salaries and expenses	2,086	2,076	2,000	2,000	2,000	-86
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE	_,					
Salaries and expenses	25,671	26,821	26,221	26,221	26,221	+550
ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL	20,0	,		,	·	
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Capitol Buildings and Grounds	40.600	07 501	46,104	48,195	46,836	+3,153
Capitol buildings, salaries and expenses	43,683 100,000	87,581	40,104	40, 183		-100,000
Capitol grounds	6,046	5,993	5,579	5,627	5,427	-619
Senate office buildings	54,144	71,392	27.070	64,038 40,670	64,038 37,279	+9,894 -10,420
House office buildings	47,699	53,389	37,279	40,679	•	
Capitol Power Plant	42,174 -4,000	49,075 -4,000	38,780 -4,000	49,006 -4,000	42,054 -4,000	-120
Offsetting collections						
Net subtotal, Capitol Power Plant	38,174	45,075	34,780	45,006	38,054	-120
Total, Architect of the Capitol	289,746	263,430	123,742	203,545	191,634	-98,112
LIBRARY OF CONGRESS						
Congressional Research Service						
Salaries and expenses	67,124	71,255	70,940	71,244	71,244	+4,120
GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE		·	·			
Congressional printing and binding	74,465	82,214	73,577	77,704	73,577	-888
Congression at printing and a starting						
Total, title I, Congressional Operations	1,879,380	1,852,557	1,135,185	1,742,255	1,713,918	-165,462
TITLE II - OTHER AGENCIES						
BOTANIC GARDEN						
Salaries and expenses	3,052	3,972	3,538	3,428	3,425	+373
LIBRARY OF CONGRESS						
Salaries and expenses	238,373	254,013	256,285	250,491	256,779	+18,406
Authority to spend receipts	-6,850	-6,850	-6,850	-6,850	-6,850	
	231,523	247,163	249,435	243,641	249,929	+ 18,406
Net subtotal, Salaries and expenses	•	•	37,639	37,628	37,628	+2,737
Copyright Office, salaries and expenses Authority to spend receipts	34,891 -21,170	37,639 -26,254	-26,254	-26,254	-26,254	-5,084
Net subtotal, Copyright Office	13,721	11,385	11,385	11,374	11,374	-2,347
Books for the blind and physically handicapped, salaries and expenses	46,824	48,033	48,033	47,984	47,984	+1,160
Furniture and furnishings	4,448	5,827		5,415	5,415	+967
Total, Library of Congress (except CRS)	296,516	312,408	308,853	308,414	314,702	+18,186
ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL	200,210	- 1, 1				
	1,000					-1,000
Congressional cemetery	,,,,,,					
Library Buildings and Grounds	10.670	10 971	13,410	17,327	16.033	+3.361
Structural and mechanical care	12,672	19,871	10,410	,,,,,,,	,	,
GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE						
Office of Superintendent of Documents			00.000	20.000	~ 29,986	+722
Salaries and expenses	29,264	31,245	29,986	29,986	25,500	7722
Government Printing Office Revolving Fund						
GPO revolving fund		15,000		5,000		
Total, Government Printing Office	29,264	46,245	29,986	34,986	29,986	+722
GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE		,	·			
	356,268	388,448	372,581	383,698	380,400	+24,132
Salaries and expenses	-2,000	-1,400	-1,400	-1,400	-1,400	+600
Y2K emergency supplemental (P.L. 105-277)	5,000				***************************************	-5,000
Total, General Accounting Office	359,268	387,048	371,181	382,298	379,000	+ 19,732
	701 770	769,544	726,968	746,453	743,146	+41,374
Total, title II, Other agencies	701,772	708,044				
Grand total	2,581,152	2,622,101	1,862,153	2,488,708	2,457,064	-124,088

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 1999	FY 2000			· · · · · ·	Conference
	Enacted	Request	House	Senate	Conference	vs. enacted
TITLE I - CONGRESSIONAL OPERATIONS						
Senate	474,891	517,580	***************************************	489,406	489,406	+14,515
louse of Representatives	740,481	785,186	739,884	769,019	760,884	+20,403
oint Items	204,916	103,995	98,821	103,116	98,952	-105,964
Office of Compliance	2,086	2,076	2,000	2,000	2,000	-86
Congressional Budget Office	25,671	26,821	26,221	26,221	26,221	+550
Architect of the Capitol	289,746	263,430	123,742	203,545	191,634	-98,112
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Library of Congress (except CRS)	296,516	312,408	308,853	308,414	314,702	+18,186
Architect of the Capitol (Congressional Cemetery and Library buildings and	13.672	19,871	13,410	17.327	16.033	+2.361
grounds)	29,264	46,245	29,986	34,986	29,986	+722
Government Printing Office (except congressional printing and binding)		,	371,181	382,298	379,000	+19,732
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Total, title II, Other agencies	701,772	769,544	726,968	746,453	743,146	+41,374
Grand total	2,581,152	2,622,101	1,862,153	2,488,708	2,457,064	-124,088

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. PASTOR. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, before I yield back the balance of my time, I would like to take a few minutes to thank the Subcommittee on Legislative staff on both sides of the aisle. They worked very hard to get this bill done. I also would like to thank the chairman, who was very fair as we worked this bill through from subcommittee to conference. We worked in a bipartisan manner. I want to thank the gentleman for doing that. I congratulate him on this conference.

I would also ask my colleagues to support and adopt the conference report.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. FRANK).

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I apologize, I had hoped to do this in a one minute today, but we did not have them.

Mr. Speaker, as Members know, I had surgery, and I just did not want to go home without acknowledging the extraordinary service I was the beneficiary of, not just from the medical staff, the attending physician and his people, but in particular the nurses and

I will have to confess that under the stress of illness, I slipped a bit from my usual level of congeniality, so I may not have been entirely pleasurable company for the entire stay, and the skill and graciousness with which they ignored that and administered to me deserves some attention. So I want to just thank the attending physician, the cardiologist, Dr. Ferguson, the cardiac surgeon, we are very well served, and the young men and women in uniform who performed extraordinarily well.

Finally, I want to thank my colleagues for a degree of graciousness, that probably would come as a surprise to people whose only knowledge of this place comes from the newspapers, but it would not be to any of us. Thank

Mr. PASTOR. Mr. Speaker, I urge an aye vote.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the conference report.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House today, the previous question is ordered.

The question is on the conference re-

Pursuant to clause 10 of rule XX, the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were-yeas 367, nays 49, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 389]

Abercrombie

Ackerman

Andrews

Archer

Armey

Bachus

Baker

Baldacci

Baldwin

Ballenger

Barrett (NE)

Barrett (WI)

Barcia

Bartlett.

Bateman

Becerra

Bentsen

Bereuter

Berman

Biggert

Bishop

Bliley

Blunt

Boehlert

Boehner

Bonilla

Bonior

Borski

Boswell

Boucher

Brady (PA)

Brady (TX)

Brown (FL)

Bryant

Burton

Buyer

Callahan

Camp Campbell

Cannon

Capuano

Chambliss

Clayton

Clement

Clyburn

Combest

Collins

Condit

Convers

Cooksey

Costello

Cook

Cox

Coyne

Crane

Cubin

Danner

Cramer

Crowley

Cummings

Davis (FL)

Davis (IL)

Davis (VA)

DeFazio

DeGette

Delahunt

DeLauro

Diaz-Balart

DeLay

Dickey

Dingell

Dixon

Dooley

Doyle

Dreier

Dunn

Duncan

Kuykendall

Doolittle

Dicks

Cunningham

Capps

Cardin

Castle

Burr

Brown (OH)

Boyd

Bilirakis

Blagojevich

Blumenauer

Barton

Bass

Allen

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Edwards LaFalce Ehlers LaHood Ehrlich Lampson Largent Emerson Engel Larson English Latham Eshoo LaTourette Etheridge Lazio Evans Lee Everett Levin Ewing Lewis (CA) Farr Lewis (GA) Lewis (KY) Fattah Filner Lipinski Fletcher LoBiondo Foley Lofgren Forbes Lowey Lucas (OK) Ford Fossella Maloney (CT) Fowler Frank (MA) Markey Martinez Franks (NJ) Mascara Matsui McCarthy (MO) Frelinghuysen Frost Gallegly McCarthy (NY) Ganske Gejdenson McCollum McCrery McGovern Gibbons McHugh Gilchrest McInnis Gillmor McIntosh Gilman McIntyre Gonzalez McKeon Goodlatte McKinney Goodling McNulty Gordon Meehan Goss Meek (FL) Granger Meeks (NY) Greenwood Menendez Gutierrez Metcalf Gutknecht Mica Millender-Hall (OH) Hall (TX) McDonald Miller (FL) Hansen Hastings (FL) Miller, Gary Hastings (WA) Miller, George Haves Minge Hayworth Mink Hefley Moakley Moore Herger Hill (IN) Moran (VA) Hill (MT) Morella Hilleary Hilliard Myrick Hinchey Napolitano Hinojosa Neal Nethercutt Hobson Ney Northup Hoeffel Hoekstra Holden Norwood Holt Nussle Hooley Oberstar Obey Horn Hostettler Olver Houghton Ose Hoyer Owens Hunter Oxlev Hutchinson Packard Hyde Isakson Pallone Pastor Istook Payne Jackson (IL) Pease Pelosi Jackson-Lee (TX) Phelps Jefferson Pickering Jenkins Pickett John Johnson (CT) Pombo Johnson, E. B. Pomeroy Johnson, Sam Porter Jones (OH) Portman Kanjorski Price (NC) Pryce (OH) Kaptur Kasich Quinn Kelly Řahall Kennedy Ramstad Kilpatrick Regula Kind (WI) Reyes Reynolds Riley King (NY) Kingston Kleczka Rivers Klink Knollenberg Rodriguez Roemer Kolbe Rogan Kucinich Rogers Rohrabacher

Ros-Lehtinen Rothman Roukema Roybal-Allard Rush Sabo Salmon Sanchez Sanders Sandlin Sawyer Saxton Scarborough Schakowsky Scott Serrano Sessions Shaw Sherman Sherwood Shimkus Shuster Simpson Sisisky Skeen Skelton Slaughter

Smith (MI) Smith (NJ) Smith (TX) Snyder Spence Stabenow Stearns Stupak Sununu Sweeney Talent Tancredo Tanner Tauscher Tauzin Taylor (NC) Terry Thomas Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Thornberry Thurman Tiahrt Tierney Towns Traficant Turner

Udall (CO) Udall (NM) Upton Velazquez Vento d Visclosky Walden Walsh Wamp Waters Watkins Watt (NC) Watts (OK) Weiner Weldon (FL) Weldon (PA) Weller Wexler Weygand Whitfield Wicker Wilson Wise Wolf Woolsey Wynn Young (AK)

#### NAYS-49

Aderholt Hulshof Baird Inslee Jones (NC) Barr Berkley Kildee Lucas (KY) Berry Carson Luther Chabot Maloney (NY) Chenoweth Manzullo Moran (KS) Coble Pascrell Coburn **DeMint** Paul Deutsch Peterson (MN) Doggett Petri Goode Royce Ryan (WI) Graham Ryun (KS) Green (TX) Green (WI) Sanford

Shadegg Shays Shows Smith (WA) Souder Stenholm Strickland Stump Taylor (MS) Thune Toomey Vitter Wu

Schaffer

Sensenbrenner

## NOT VOTING-17

McDermott Bilbray Rangel Clay Gephardt Mollohan Spratt Murtha Stark Lantos Ortiz Waxman Peterson (PA) Leach Young (FL) Radanovich Linder

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So the conference report was agreed

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

### FURTHER MESSAGE FROM THE **SENATE**

A further message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 1568. An act to provide technical, financial, and procurement assistance to veteran owned small businesses, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1546. An act to amend the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 to provide additional administrative authorities to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom, and to make technical corrections to that Act, and for other purposes